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Larson: Statement on the Kleen Energy System Power Plant Explosion

*Hartford, CT*- U.S. Congressman John B. Larson (CT-01) released the following statement on the explosion at the Kleen Energy Systems Power Plant earlier today:

"First and foremost my thoughts and prayers are with the individuals, families, and the communities affected by this tragedy.

"Earlier today, I reached out to Mayor Guiliano and the Ironworkers Union to express my sympathy and to assure them of my commitment to assist in any way that I can.

"The first responders from Middletown and in the region are doing yeoman work on the ground. I am extremely confident in their abilities, as they have the training and expertise to handle a situation of this immense magnitude.

"My office stands ready to assist the families and the region in recovering from this catastrophic event. We will persevere with a steadfast heart and a focus on saving lives and providing support to those affected by today's incident."

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